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The idea of a bank owned by Walmart makes my skin crawl. I live in a small town in Ohio, where a Walmart was developed about two years ago. Since that time, local businesses have closed, new corporate chains have destroyed green space to build their specific stores, leaving the other buildings that were once full of life, completely abandoned. It is horrifying to witness what has happened to our town since the integration of a Walmart. If this global corporation were able to open their own chain of banks, it will continue to destroy our local economy, closing down the few independent banks left, and have the same effect across the nation. It is frightening to think of the monopoly Walmart has created and is trying to continue. As I said, it makes me sick, especially knowing the workers rights violations Walmart has been accused of, it makes me wonder how the employees would be treated, as well as the effects it would have upon our local economy. We are already one of the poorest counties in Ohio, and I am sure offering more part time low wage jobs with no benefits would further the poverty our good people are enduring. Thank you for your time, and please remember the people who work every day to keep this country running and the workers rights they should have when making your decision.